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Reservists May Apply For Integration

The Coast Guard's integration program for this year has already been announced in Personnel Instruction 37-56 which was distributed to the field some time ago.

IMPORTANT: Applications for integration were to have been submitted by 15 September 1956. However, anyone who applied last year and was not integrated may again submit his application and it will be accepted if submitted no later than 1 November, 1956.

Examinations for Integration Program 1-56 will be given on the 23rd, 24th, and 25th of January 1957. The bibliography for study in preparation for these professional examinations is as follows:

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Official Coast Guard Photo

U.S. Coast Guard Cadets view the famous Eiffel Tower in Paris during their summer cruise stop-over at a foreign port. The summer cruise itinerary varies each year. It might be Europe, Africa, South America, or the Caribbean islands. This is an important part of a Cadet's training to gain a knowledge and understanding of the world he lives in.

Academy Exams Scheduled For February 25-26, 1957

The annual examination for appointment to cadetship in the United States Coast Guard will be conducted February 25 and 26, 1957. These examinations will be given in more than 100 cities in the United States and abroad. Successful applicants will attend the United States Coast Guard Academy at New London, Conn.

An applicant must be a high school senior or graduate who has reached his 17th but not his 22nd birthday on July 1, 1957. Applicants still in high school must graduate and earn 15 units by June 30, 1957. The units must include 3 in English; 2 in Algebra; 1 in Plane Geometry. Applicants must be in excellent physical condition, between 64 and 78 inches in height, with appropriate weight, and have uncorrected 20/20 vision in each eye.

Appointments are made on the basis of competitive examination and evaluated general adaptability. There are no Congressional appointments or geographic quotas.

The Coast Guard Academy curriculum includes academic subjects and military training. Courses are given in navigation, engineering, communications, seamanship, ordnance, government, English and advanced mathematics. Extra-curricular activities include a variety of clubs and athletics. Coast Guard teams compete with many colleges in a variety of sports. Coast Guard cadets spend part of each summer at sea, training aboard the bark EAGLE and major cutters. Summer cruises include visits to numerous foreign ports.

When they have finished their training (4-year course) at the Coast Guard Academy, cadets are commissioned as ensigns in the Coast Guard and awarded bachelor of science degrees. After graduation young officers may apply for flight training qualifying them for service

in the aviation branch of the Coast Guard. Postgraduate training is also available in the fields of electronics,

First Examination for Cadets Held in 1876

The first examination for appointment to cadetship in the United States Coast Guard was held in 1876. The instruction of future officers was carried out in three school ships and two schools on land before the Academy was permanently established in New London, Connecticut, in 1932.

Today the Coast Guard Academy ranks with the top engineering schools of the country. It is accredited by the Engineer's Council for Professional Development, and is a member of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

A young man who passes the competitive examination and is accepted by the Coast Guard Academy has reason to be proud for not many can boast of it. The four-year course at New London continues to demand all the physical and mental aptitudes a young man was examined upon for his appointment to cadetship.

oceanography and personnel administration. Postgraduate courses are given at the advanced military schools and leading universities and colleges throughout the country.

An information booklet and application forms may be obtained by writing the Commandant (PTP-2), U.S. Coast Guard, Washington 25, D.C. The completed application forms must be returned by January 15, 1957.

Correspondence Courses Are Listed For Officer and Enlisted Personnel

The following new and revised correspondence courses are available to enlisted Coast Guard Reservists:

Basic Hand Tool Skills*	NAVPERS 91228-1	21 points
Yeoman 1*	NAVPERS 91415-2	15 points
Fire Control Technician 1, Vol. 2	NAVPERS 91343	24 points
Machinist's Mate 1	NAVPERS 91503	30 points
Machinist's Mate, Chief	NAVPERS 91504	30 points
Aviation Ordnanceman 3, Vol. 1	NAVPERS 91659	18 points
Aviation Ordnanceman 2, Vol. 1	NAVPERS 91661	18 points
Standard First Aid	NAVPERS 91217	24 points
Engineman 1	NAVPERS 91502	27 points
Engineman Chief	NAVPERS 91521	27 points

*Although earlier editions of this course have been completed, it may be taken for repeat credit.

New Director of the Reserve Reports to 12th District

Commander Benjamin P. CLARK, USCG, reported to the 12th Coast Guard District as Director of the Reserve on September 4, 1956. He replaced Commander R. A. SERENBERG, Jr., USCG, who is now attached to the 3rd Coast Guard District.

The following courses are now available at the Correspondence Course Center for Reserve officers:

Combat Information Center	10952	24 points
Watch Officer, The	10719	6 points
*Special Services	10969-A	8 points

*formerly Welfare and Recreation

Service-Wide Exams Set For October

Service-wide examinations for advancement to pay grades E-4 through E-6 will be held once again during the second week of October. Tests have already been mailed to the field for 515 applicants, somewhat fewer than the 579 who were tested last April.

The most popular ratings continue to be Emergency Security Guard and Boatswain's Mate; Yeoman runs third in popularity with Engineman and Storekeeper close behind. Here is a partial breakdown which shows the six top rates and the number of men who requested examinations for each one:

BM3 - 48 men	YN3 - 41 men
ESG2 - 48 men	EN3 - 40 men
ESG3 - 46 men	SK3 - 36 men

ORTUPS 05-408, Norfolk, Virginia, submitted the largest number of requests of any unit: 28 men.

Active Duty? Here's Your Opportunity!

Yes, the Coast Guard still has active duty billets available for Reserve officers, lieutenant and below, and active duty assignments open to enlisted personnel in grade E-6 and below.

These billets may be either general duty or Reserve administrative jobs. The main thing is for YOU to request extended active duty NOW while assignments are still available. Send a letter of application to the Commandant (PR) via your ORTU commanding officer and/or your District Commander, as appropriate.

The sooner your request is submitted, the greater your chances will be for acceptance and assignment. Apply today!

INTEGRATION--Cont. from p. 1

Examination	Test	Publisher*
Navigation I (Piloting)	Navigation and Nautical Astronomy, 10th Edition Dutton-- (Chapters I through VII)	U.S. Naval Institute, Annapolis, Md.
Navigation II (Celestial)	Navigation and Nautical Astronomy, 10th Edition Dutton-- (Chapters VIII through XVI)	U.S. Naval Institute, Annapolis, Md.
Seamanship	1) Knight's Modern Seamanship, 12th Edition 2) Seamanship, NavPers, 16118-B	D. Van Nostrand Co., New York, N.Y. BuPers
Ordnance and Gunnery	1) Ordnance Instruction, CG-272 2) Naval Ordnance and Gunnery, NavPers 16116-B, September 1950 (except chapters 7, 13, 14, 16, 18, 23, 27, and 29)	USCG BuPers

*Coast Guard and Navy Texts should be available at units, or from District Commanders (p).

It is expected that Integration Program 2-56 will be announced before the end of this year. The examinations for this second program of the year will be given approximately six months after the examinations for the first program.

(Note: Personnel who applied for integration last year and who were not selected must be sure they still meet the age requirements if they wish to apply for integration this year.)



LCDR Frank Sweeney, USCGR, Commanding Officer of ORTUAV-VP911, based at the USN Air Station, So. Weymouth, Mass., points out items to be checked before take-off in a P44 "Privateer" bomber. (Left to Right) J. A. Cordiera, AM2; V. P. Zackar, AD1; LCDR B. B. Beaulieu; Lt. A. D. Young; LCDR S. P. Eddy; LCDR Sweeney; Lt. C. L. Hayter; Lt. W. P. Russell, (Absent when unit picture was taken were two other members: LCDR J. A. Kelleher and LTJG D. W. Burke.)

Law Changed on Guarantee Of Insurance Premiums

Under the provisions of a recently enacted law, the government will only guarantee the payment of premiums on life insurance of an individual called to active military service if he has held the insurance for not less than six months prior thereto.

Public Law 697, 84th Congress, 2nd Session, amended the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act in this regard. Prior to the amendment, the government would guarantee the premiums if the insurance had been held for only 30 days prior to entry upon active service. The change was brought about after it was discovered that prospective buyers of insurance, in some instances, were not being advised that reimbursement to the government was required when the members were released from active duty. It was believed that by changing the period of time the insurance must have been held prior to the performance of active service, the practice of using the guarantee provisions as an incentive to sign a man up just prior to his call to active duty would be greatly curtailed.

Although the guarantee of payment of premiums on a member's life insurance during the period of his active service is a worthwhile benefit, it is readily apparent that in some cases the repayment to the government of the premiums would work a hardship on the individual upon his release from active duty since it would come at a time when he was undergoing a period of readjustment in civil life.

SPARs at Bainbridge in September Recruit Class

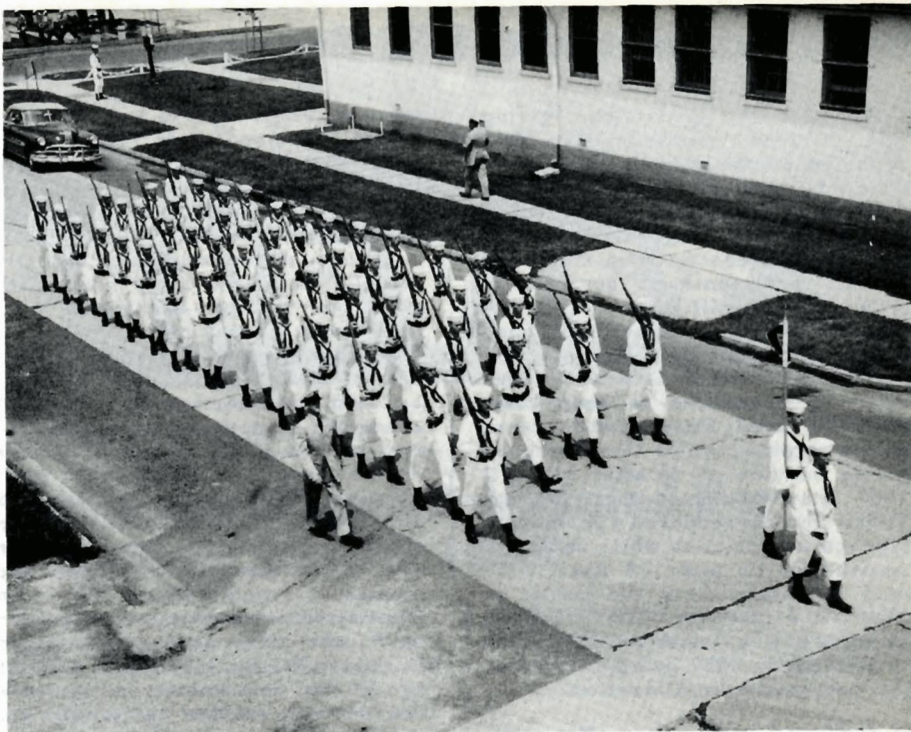
Seven Coast Guard Women Reserves logged in at the U.S. Naval Training Center, Bainbridge, Maryland, during September. They comprised the largest SPAR group to undergo the two-week recruit training course since WW II.

Six-Months Trainees Still Reporting at Cape May

Sixty-five Reservists reported to Cape May, New Jersey, on August 8, for training in the six-months active duty for training program.

On September 5, eighty-one trainees arrived at Cape May for the six-months program.

There will be more reports on this program in the November issue of The Coast Guard RESERVIST.



U. S. Coast Guard Photo

On their eighth day of training at the U. S. Coast Guard Receiving Center, Cape May New Jersey, six-months trainees march in Dress Parade under command of their company commander, Quartermaster Chief Donald R. Meyers.

November Issue Will Mark Two Celebrations

The November 1956 issue of The Coast Guard RESERVIST will begin the fourth year for this periodical. That month will also find the Coast Guard SPARs chalking off their 14th year since the Women Reserves were organized during World War II. Both occasions will be celebrated in a special eight-page edition of this publication. Watch for it!

Four of these women are from the 7th Coast Guard District and three reported from the 9th District. This September group completes the total of twelve SPARs who received this condensed "boot" camp training during the summer. This number is double the 1955 attendance at Bainbridge which indicates an increased effort to enlist women into Organized Reserve Training Units. However, as of June 30th, 1956 there were still only 84 non-commissioned women attached to the Coast Guard Reserve. Training units alone have billets for more than 325 SPARs.

Reserve Memorandum 5-54 lists the standards which applicants must meet for enlistment in the SPAR organization. It also shows the number of enlisted SPAR billets authorized for each Organized Reserve Training Unit: Large--4, Medium--3, Small--2.

Reservists Retire Under Public Law-810

During the first quarter of fiscal year 1957, the following Reservists were retired under Public Law-810:

Officers

CDR Robert H.H. NICHOLS
CDR Glenn J. WIMBISH

Enlisted

Former RMC Charles H. KESLER

During the first quarter of fiscal year 1957, the following Reservists were placed on the Honorary Retired List:

Officers

LTJG Elizabeth JOSSELYN
CHPCLK Charles A. PORTER
CAPT Calvin H. DALEY
LCDR Francis D. BEARD
LCDR Kenneth L. SKILLIN
LT Joseph H. EMMERT
LT Albert F. SCHMIDT
MACH John A. GRAY

Enlisted

Aleck M., COUTTS, BM3

Attendance Figures - ORTUs

July 1956

National Average	87.1%
Highest District	
11th CG District	89.8%
Highest ORTUPS	
ORTUPS 11-635	
Bakersfield, California	99%
Highest ORTUAG	
ORTUAG 11-655	
Santa Barbara, California	96%

Survivor Benefits Bill Becomes Law

Although the provisions giving \$10,000 free insurance have been repealed by the Act in favor of increased monthly compensation, there are some provisions made for retention of government life insurance. Persons who continued to pay premiums on government policies may still do so and the insurance will remain in effect. Those who waived premium payments may cancel this waiver and resume payment of premiums to keep their policy in force. Persons whose term policy expired while they were on active service on or after 25 April 1951 may reinstate their policy. Those who surrendered a permanent type policy for cash while on active service on or after 25 April 1951 may reinstate their old policy or take out a new one. The last three of these actions must be taken prior to 1 January 1957 by application to the Veterans Administration.

Although this new law has provided sweeping new benefits, it is important to remember that its provisions have not removed any of the old benefits. Those drawing benefits under present laws may continue to receive them if they wish and this includes the survivors of Reserve personnel who may be receiving benefits under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act. In this connection, it should be noted that the Federal Employees' Compensation Act will not be applicable to survivors of a Reservist whose death occurs on or after 1 January 1957.

After several months of careful study by both Congress and the military services, a new law now provides for a large measure of increased security for service personnel and their dependents. It is known as the "Servicemen's and Veterans' Survivor Benefits Act" and it changes existing laws in four important areas, namely: monthly Veterans Administration compensation for service-connected death, six months death gratuity, social security coverage, and government life insurance.

This article will deal broadly with all four areas and detailed articles will be published on each area in succeeding issues of the RESERVIST.

First, the law increased the rates of compensation payable to eligible survivors of a serviceman who dies on active duty. On and after 1 January 1957, a widow's compensation is computed at \$112 per month plus 12% of a man's basic pay up to a

total of \$266. If there be no widow, monthly compensation is to be paid to surviving children in equal shares. Dependent parents are also entitled to monthly compensation on a sliding scale based upon their income.

Second, although the basic formula for computing the lump sum death gratuity remains unchanged (one month's basic pay multiplied by 6), the minimum amount payable is \$800 and the maximum allowed is \$3,000.

Third, servicemen are brought under the contributory social security system effective 1 January 1957 on the same basis as all other persons presently engaged in covered employment. This means that in case of death, surviving children under age 18 are immediately eligible for monthly payments which will be in addition to any compensation payable under the first area discussed in this article. It also means that at age 65, the serviceman and his wife can become entitled to monthly old age benefits ranging from a minimum of \$45 to a maximum of \$162.80 per month, provided that he has engaged long enough in employment covered by the law (including military service) and that his earnings from gainful employment do not exceed \$1200 per year. After reaching age 72, old age benefits are payable regardless of the amount of earnings. These payments are independent of and in addition to military retired pay.

New ORTUs Commissioned

ORTUPS 05-045 (formerly 05-408a) was commissioned on August 6, 1956 in Chincoteague, Virginia. Originally this was a sub-unit of ORTUPS 05-408 located in Norfolk, Virginia. Members of ORTUPS 05-045 drill on Monday evenings at the U.S. Naval Air Station, Chincoteague, Virginia. The commanding officer is Lieutenant Louis T. BIRCH.

On August 7th, 1956 ORTUPS 05-758 was commissioned in Morehead City, North Carolina. Formerly Unit 05-796a, this group was a sub-unit of ORTUPS 05-796 in Wilmington, North Carolina. Members of ORTUPS 05-758 drill on Tuesday evenings at the Old Lifeboat Station, USCG Group, Fort Macon, North Carolina. The commanding officer is Lieutenant Commander Daniel G. BELL.

Ninth District Reservists Earn 1956 Certificates

Forty-two enlisted Reservists assigned to ORTUs in the Ninth Coast Guard District earned Coast Guard Participation Certificates for outstanding attendance during fiscal year 1956. Those individuals whose names are preceded by an (*) are receiving their second award.

ADAMUS, Joseph C. (2031-039) YN3

BANKS, George D. (2027-411) CS1
BRADLEY, Robert E. (2025-672) SA
BRUSH, Theodore W. (2028-771) SR

CALLI, Marino J. (2028-644) BM2
CARUSO, Charles P. (2028-777) SA
CHAMBERLAIN, Wayne L. (2030-470) SA

DANIELS, Daniel J. (2027-464) SR
DAVIDSON, Richard W. (2025-519) SA
DE WOLF, Charles R. (2028-686) SA
DUNN, Jesse D. (2028-762) GM2

FRACZIEWICZ, Casimir (n) (2027-012) DCC

GAYLORD, Ruthe L. (4007-302) ESX1
GONYON, Roy N. (2029-180) SA

HASWELL, Ronald A. (2030-501) SR
HORNIAK, Raymond A. (2030-512) SR
* HUGHES, Everett S. Jr. (2025-072) SKC
JEWELL, Robert B. (2029-740) SN

KAHN, Melvin (n) (2025-540) CS1
* KNORR, Robert W. (2028-713) SN
KUCERA, Leonard W. (2030-428) SR
KUEHNE, Robert G. (2028-769) SR
KUNKEL, Ralph J. (2027-166) BM1

* LE COMPTE, Arnold E. (2025-332) SN
LEWIS, Frank G. (2025-332) SN

* MARTIN, Henry G. (2025-149) MM1
NORTON, John C. (2028-728) SA
NUSS, Alexander (n) (2025-258) DC1

OLSON, Kenneth M. (2025-599) SA

PHOENIX, William B. (2028-730) SN

RAMSPERGER, Robert J. (2028-727) SA

SALCHOW, John P. H. (2029-187) SR
SCHMIDT, Harry H. (2025-600) SA
SHERSHOVECH, Eli Jr. (2025-626) SA
SLISZ, Theodore B. Jr. (2025-433) SN
STAMOS, George (n) (2025-276) DCC
* SULLIVAN, Richard E. (2028-567) SN
* TEPPER, Thomas J. (2025-463) SA

WAGONER, James E. (2030-333) FN
WARD, James B. (2031-044) SN
* ZAKRAJSEK, Joe M. (2030-337) QMC

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